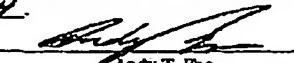


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In response to the Office Action dated 11/15/2004, please amend the patent application as follows:

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**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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